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# Six places to fish for early spring trout

**STEVE GALEA**

*Outdoors*

For many anglers, spring fishing means lake fishing for either lake, rainbow, or brook trout. And, as in all fishing, the hardest part isn't catching the fish; it is finding them. Once, you get onto aggressive trout, if you present the right lures in the right way, they'll show you a good time.

Obviously, fishing electronics go a long way towards helping find fish. But sometimes, electronics aren't available. Even if they are, you can spend a lot of time searching unproductive water before marking fish.

You can speed up the process by applying logic to determine likely places to start. You just need to remember two things: First, like all fish, trout prefer certain water temperatures – approximately between 40- and 55-degrees Fahrenheit, with lake trout liking the colder end of that range. All trout will take brief forays out of their comfort zone to take advantage of available food sources, however. Second, you should also remember that all trout feed on aquatic insects, leeches or worms or the smaller fish that gather to feed these. And when water temperatures reach 50 degrees, most of the really good hatches start, which usually jumpstarts the best fishing.

With that in mind, here are six spring fishing spots to consider focusing on:

## The downwind shoreline

Often, downwind shorelines are the first places that amass the warmer water required to draw in feeding trout. That's because in spring, warmer top water is constantly moved downwind by wind. A fishing buddy and I saw this last weekend when the downwind end of a small lake was a full 2 degrees warmer (verified by thermometer) than the upwind end.

## Inflows and outflows

Some of the best early season trout fishing is near waters flowing into and out of lakes. That moving water is oxygenated and often warmer because it is shallower. The currents associated with them are also virtual conveyor belt of food which draws baitfish and eventually trout that consume them and whatever other morsal is being carried by the flow. If you time it right you can catch rainbows spawning at inflows or find trout following spawning suckers for their eggs.

## Wherever weeds are emerging

Weeds, and the accompanying food and protective cover they provide, are a good bet any time of year for every fish species we target. But they're especially productive places in spring for trout on the hunt. That's because many aquatic insects as well as leeches, bait fish and more rely on the protective cover these places provide.

## Along drop offs

Trout will cruise the edges where shallow water meets deeper water. This allows them to hunt warmer shallow water for the reasons previously discussed, while ensuring access to the safety of deep water should it be required.

## Upwind from the bugs

In spring, it is not uncommon to see the discarded shucks of insect cases on the water or the flying insects themselves, such as midges, in the air or landing on your boat. In that case, it sometimes pays to fish upwind of them because that's where the insects are emerging from the lake's bottom to transform into the flying ones you see. That's where the discarded shucks came from too. A hatch like that is what fly anglers dream of, but it is also good news for other anglers too, because, again, bugs will draw in fish big and small.

## Near obvious food sources and signs

Sometimes you need to go with the obvious. For instance, if you see trout or the surface rings they produce, take heed. You probably won't catch the fish that made the ring because trout in lakes are notorious cruisers, but you will know the depth they are traveling over and if you watch for the next set of rise rings, you'll get a sense of the direction and route, so you might be able to intercept them. You'll also know that fishing closer to the surface is probably a good bet and you might even be able to see what they are feeding on. At the very least, a rise or series of rises will get you in the game.

Brook trout are on of the trout species that local anglers love chasing in the spring. /Submitted by Steve Galea

Foam lines (those areas where white foamy bubbles are on the water's surface) are also a good indicator that fish might be near too. Trout often position under foam lines because they can remain hidden from aerial predators such as osprey.

Likewise, brookies are known for hanging around downed trees along shorelines or near beaver dams and lodges too when temperatures allow.

Another example of something obvious you should take advantage of is a tadpole hatch. If you see tadpoles near shoreline waters, it's worthwhile to tie on your best imitation and fish it. Trout are opportunists; they'll rarely pass up concentrations of good food.

In each case, how you fish these places doesn't matter. Fly fish, spin fish, troll, do whatever. Once you locate fish, the rest of it is about making the best use of the gear you have. And that's another column.

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# Feeding our pollinators: Part I

**SHEILA CURRIE**

*Haliburton County Master Gardener*

If you had berries for breakfast, snacked on an apple, or had a cup of coffee today, you can thank a pollinator. On average, one in three bites of food we eat relies on the work of bees or other pollinators. While feeding on flower nectar, pollinators transfer pollen, fertilize plants and help to secure our food supply. For them to continue feeding us, we need to provide them with habitat and a buffet of native plants with the high-quality food they need to thrive.

The most common pollinators are bees, which are entirely dependent on flowers for their food. They gather carbohydrate-rich nectar as an energy source, and protein-rich pollen to feed themselves and their young. Other pollinators – butterflies, moths, wasps, flies, beetles and hummingbirds – also feed on flower nectar, but have other food sources too, and are not dependent solely on flowers.

Ontario has the greatest diversity of bees in Canada, with 420 native species. However, all around the world, bees and other insects are in decline, resulting in lower crop pollination and reduced food yield. Food crops are not the only plants of concern: our wildflower species are also at risk of decline due to insufficient pollination.

Increasing the availability of native plants is an important way to give pollinators a boost. Native insects and plants have evolved together over thousands of years, resulting in finely-tuned symbiotic relationships. In contrast, local insects are not habituated to foreign plants, and flower cultivars bred for aesthetics (e.g. double flowers) often have less nectar and pollen, and/or poor quality of both. So, while we may still hear a lot of "buzz" around non-native plants, our pollinators may be working harder and for less benefit.

Up to 30 per cent of Ontario's native bees are "specialists" who feed only on one species or family of flowers with whom they have evolved. Their mouth parts may be adapted in shape and size to efficiently reach nectar, and the blossom time of their host plant coincides with their life cycle. These specialists are at heightened risk due to loss of host plant habitat and effects of climate change on bloom times of hosts. Some of the more common specialist bees in our area rely on native perennial sunflowers, asters, goldenrod, blueberry/cranberry, tickseed and dogwoods.

Butterflies lay their eggs on specific host plants their caterpillars can eat. As monarchs need milkweeds, so do frittilaries need native violets, and skippers need native grasses and sedges. Without these host plants, they cannot survive. Non-native plants typically do not support butterflies through their lifecycle. For example, the popular butterfly bush (Buddleia) has flowers that attract butterflies to their nectar, but not a single species of North American butterfly can reproduce on a butterfly bush because the leaves are toxic to native caterpillars.

Unlike specialist bees and caterpillars, the majority of bee species are "generalists" who have adapted over time to feed on a range of plants. While they have a larger menu to choose from, not all plants are equal when it comes to ecosystem benefits. "Keystone" plant species are ones that are integral to the regional ecosystem; without them, specialist bees and about 90 per cent of Ontario butterflies would not survive. And without butterflies, birds will not have the caterpillars essential for feeding their young.

Asters, perennial sunflowers, black-eyed susans, beebalm and coreopsis are some of the keystone perennials that not only feed our pollinators, but look great in our gardens. As an added bonus, leaving the seed heads on these and other native flowers will provide all-winter feeding for chickadees, nuthatches and finches.

Although the importance of native plants is spreading and nurseries are getting on board, sourcing native plants can be challenging. Check out our website at haliburtonmastergardener.ca for a listing of local native plant nurseries, and come to our plant sale on May 28 to see and learn more about native plants.

Next week's article will feature steps we can all take to support our local pollinators.

*Haliburton County Master Gardeners is a volunteer organization that provides horticultural advice specific to Haliburton and surrounding regions. Have your gardening questions answered or schedule an onsite consultation at www.haliburtonmastergardener.ca.*

Native bee on coneflower. Coneflowers produce seeds for winter feeding birds.

Monarch caterpillar feeding on Milkweed. Photos submitted by Sheila Currie

## Did you know?

In Haliburton, goldenrod is one of the keystone plants, hosting more than 100 species of caterpillars and 42 specialist bee species! Unfortunately, goldenrod is sometimes mistakenly blamed for hay fever, because it blooms at the same time as ragweed, which is the real culprit.

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# Seeing is believing

**LAURIE JONES**
*Curator, Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre*

The "real" world has never been more optically dominated, and I'm not talking about eye cataracts or retinas here. These days there seems to be an endless appetite for stimulating visual content! Social media posts with images are making text obsolete; everybody in town is looking at their phone all the time and to top it off, "scrolling thumb" is now a clinical pain diagnosis. In spite of warnings against fake news, it's important be on the lookout for manipulated images and avoid the perils of "click bait." It doesn't take much for us to direct our attention to, and watch, just about anything familiar. The process of latching onto a face or recognizable object helps us find our bearings. And, from there, to interpret, analyze, accept (or reject), and integrate information. But what happens when we are confronted by an image that contains no reference points. We feel parachuted into an unfamiliar landscape, lost. Sort of like when you visit your local art museum or gallery and you think to yourself, "if this [fill-in-the-blank piece] is contemporary art, what is the world coming to?"

That's just the time when I invite you to suspend your judgment for a while and stop trying to put your finger on what an artist had in mind when she made her marks. Start thinking of yourself as a locked box. The painting in front of you is the key. Use it. Open that box of secrets and let your imagination run wild. Explore sensations or feelings removed from language or story. Like it or hate it, abstract art will help you get to know your inner world. Seeing is believing in yourself. Isn't it time you checked in with your imagination?

*Laurie Jones is Curator at Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre in Haliburton's landmark rail station.*

Abstract, 2022, acrylic on paper on wood panel by Patsy Telpner. Telpner, who is member for the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre, is an abstract artist who started as a ceramist, but started to paint after attending classes at the Toronto School of Art, Art Gallery of Ontario and Haliburton School of Art + Design. See her work at the centre and online at railsendgallery.com/blog/f/wip-with-patsy-telpner. /Submitted by Laurie Jones

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No matter your age or what you like to read there is something here for you either at the daytime Trade Show or the evening Big Book Club with featured author, Terry Fallis. The event is being held at the Minden Community Centre with the Trade Show from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. followed by the Big Book Club from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Committee chair Renée Woltz said, "Bookapalooza promises to be a unique and entertaining event suitable for all ages. Whether you are looking for the next great book or song by a local creator or advice about your emerging interest in the world of reading or writing this is a not-to-be-missed event."

The daytime Trade Show portion includes:

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- Free presentations by local authors, and songwriters. A performance by Rural Rogues.
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In the evening special guest author Terry Fallis appears at The Big Book Club. It starts with an interview and then a conversation with you, the audience. Don't miss an opportunity to hear a well-known Canadian author talk about his latest book and life as an author!

For more news and details as they are released, please follow Haliburton Reads and Writes on Facebook.

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*Submitted by Marie Gage*

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# Happy spouse, happy house

**JANET TRULL**

*Special to County Life*

When I was 32, I read *The Women's Room*, by Marilyn French. As a young mother working full time, it left me with a burden of bubbling resentment. Men had not quite transitioned from *Father Knows Best* days, and women were scrambling to prove they were liberated enough to juggle careers and kids and housework. A tough gig to pull off.

It was no coincidence that the 1980s was a decade for 1950s and 1960s nostalgia. As people take on the responsibilities of adulthood, they want to relive the good old days of their childhoods. Oldies music played on every radio station and re-runs were on TV. Our favourite TV dad was Sheriff Andy. Problems? Not in Mayberry. Andy locked up drinkers and vagabonds in the jail cell and offered advice. He also gave them a helping of Aunt Bea's stew. Mostly they reformed their evil ways by the end of the half hour program.

We were also nostalgic for *Leave it to Beaver* days when moms wore pearls and hung laundry on clotheslines. Then came Marilyn French with a book that peeled back the onion of suburbia and revealed that June Cleaver may not have been all that happy. A turquoise kitchen hung with brass-coloured jelly moulds was not the gratifying place we thought it was. It was a prison.

The Nelson family of Jon Nelson, from left, Annalee and Diana, who loaned the book *How Not to Hate Your Husband After Kids*, by Jancee Dunn, to *County Life* writer and her mother Janet Trull. /Submitted by Janet Trull

Forty years later, my daughter is a working mother of a pre-schooler and a toddler. She is reading *How Not to Hate Your Husband After Kids*, by Jancee Dunn. It's actually a pretty good read, she says.

Hand it over, I say.

It looks dumb to me. Like another self-help book for self-centred people. But I read it anyway, and you know what? It's actually pretty good. The author does not set out to get everyone riled up and angry. She wants, sincerely, to deal with "the startling white hot fury" she felt toward her husband after her daughter was born.

Dunn recognizes the value of working on her relationship. The parenting years are exhausting and Dunn admits that her tendency to be a gatekeeper is part of the problem. She cares about her career and world events, just like her husband, but she can't overlook a dirty sink or toothpaste on the towel.

Through research and visits to therapists, Dunn and her husband learn a variety of ways to improve their relationship, transform anger into empathy and recognize the impact that positive resolution theories have on their daughter.

"One of the greatest gifts you can give your child," Dunn concludes, "is a loving relationship with your spouse - and with it a sense of security, peace, and permanence."

Times changes. Marriages evolve. But they don't get easier."Happy wife, happy life." That's old school. Now it's "Happy spouse, happy house."

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## Home

WHAT IS IT, where is it from, and how do we get it? The purpose of this editorial is not to feature the unsung heroes of house hunting in a modern economy (though seriously, good luck to any home-buyers out there - it's a roller coaster these days).

No, no, instead it's to discuss the concept, the theme, the heart behind "home."

**EMILY STONEHOUSE**
*Special to County Life*

I was recently at a meeting at the Haliburton Highlands Museum, catered to tourism providers and stakeholders in the community. While I was preparing for this meeting, I asked the director of the museum, Kate Butler, if she would like to showcase any features or experiences the museum would have over the summer.

In my mind, Kate was going to go up and sell the museum. Sell the experiences. Share how we could participate, so the museum could make money. But when Kate presented, I've never felt more like Ebenezer Scrooge.

Instead of selling the site, she told the stories. She shared that the museum was started in the early 1960s, right in the village of Haliburton. The original building was in what is now known as the "Reid House," before they realized that there was so much fantastic historical content that it needed to be expanded. So, the entire Reid House was packed on the back of a truck, driven around Head Lake, and (I am sure as carefully as possible) placed on the site where it now resides. They have since built the main museum building, as well as constructed a series of log cabins and barn buildings throughout the property. It's truly a fantastic space.

The entire building is crawling with stories. Faces of people laughing in the early 1900s. Views of main streets through every decade. An entire display on hockey in the Highlands. The original Molou movie theatre doors.

As I sat in this meeting, I stared at those doors. I couldn't take my eyes off them. I know, at some point in my life, I walked through those doors and ordered a popcorn with extra butter and original Skittles (none of that green apple garbage, I am talking LIME Skittles, my millennial friends, do you remember?). At some point, decades before, I am sure at least two people have walked through those doors, awkwardly holding hands, and walked out with their first kiss. The way the fluorescent bulbs reflected off those doors from the sparkling sign every Friday night. Those doors have had energy through them. They've seen life.

What are the stories that the Haliburton Highlands hold? What stories define us as people of this community? Is it the stories of the cheers at the pond hockey tournaments, or the fresh lemonade and horses at the Agricultural Fair? Is it the taste of Kawartha Dairy ice cream on a hot August day, or the way your neighbour shovels your driveway in the dead of winter? Do we share the stories of the infamous submarine at Haliburton Forest, or the bagpipes that echoed through the hills during the summer parades? Maybe our stories are the hearts we hung in our windows at the beginning of the pandemic, or the birth of Minden Pride through homophobic acts of vandalism? The joys, the inclusion, the heart, that has come out of the Highlands?

We have stories here. We are rich with them.

As Kate continued to tell the story of the museum, the point she echoed was that the museum tells the stories of "all of us." These stories give us a sense of place, a feeling of belonging, and the value of a home.

To reconnect with these roots, I highly recommend checking out the Haliburton Highlands Museum. Admission is by donation, and you will walk away feeling sturdier on the ground you walked in on; given the foundation of who we are in the Haliburton Highlands.

Our stories bring us home in the Highlands, and there is no shortage of them. We have had so many stories here, in this home, but maybe, just maybe, the best are yet to come.

## Top 10 reasons to have an office dog

WITH SO many people working at home during the pandemic, there has been a proliferation of office dogs. I'm talking about pups bought or raised during the pandemic who are now regular fixtures in your office. I have my spaniel Rosie.

**STEVE GALEA**
Humour Columnist

But I'm sure many of you have your own office dogs. For those who don't, here are the top 10 reasons that you should.

1. Makes a paper shredder redundant.
2. Someone needs to supervise the cat.
3. They like all your ideas, so long as you end them with, "Who's a good puppy?"
4. They work for belly rubs.
5. You won't be the only one in the workplace who takes a mid-morning nap.
6. They never ask for the key to the executive washroom.
7. Finally, someone who thinks you deserve a promotion.
8. More diversity in the workplace.
9. Less seniority.
10. You always know when a courier arrives.

## *Faces*

Blur of faces racing past, masked and unmasked,
cranes scraping concrete Sky, erecting a forest of glass and steel towers,
a patch (?) of grass springing from a crack in the cement,
trampled by a fleet of feet, rushing to reach somewhere.
I stand, mashed in the crowd, waiting for the lights to change,
glaring at the giant bloodshot eyes, waiting for them to blink green,
drinking in the Sky scape of high-rises and cranes,
chafing that part of me that craves the space of Lakes and uncluttered Sky,
the sound of a herons wings as it slices through Air,
the lanes of geese, muzzled by the blaring of these cars,
waiting, like me, to continue their journey,
these strangers breathing all around me, masked and unmasked,
as I glance sideways at their faces
revealing nothing about their natures as they stare straight ahead,
in a hurry to get somewhere.
I am swept along in this flurry of feet, scurrying across the street,
peering into the eyes of people who cross from the other side,
nobody starring back, all of us invisible to each other,
as we float through the crowd like ghosts.
I crane my neck up, trying to catch a glimpse of Sun,
smudged by cataracts of clouds,
gawking at the pigeons as I walk, congregating on the sidewalk
as they peck at crusts and crumbs,
sniffing at the pale blueness of masks
separated from their faces plastered to the ground.
I wonder who the masks belonged to,
whether they covered anger or sadness or peace or fear,
as I stop and peer into the eyes of a stranger holding a tin can in his hands,
his eyes bluer than northern Sky, crinkling as I toss the toonie in,
the din bristling all around me, diminishing, for the moment that we lock eyes
and I recognise something in them that brews within me too,
maybe in the eyes of all the faces that I pass, masked until they are unmasked,
revealing their natures to those who choose to listen and see,
all of us rushing around beneath this cracked dome of Sky,
searching for hope or Home in strangers eyes, or glimmers of something we recognize,
as I board the bus to that delivers me back to the space of Lakes,
the quiet of Sky, flecks of green hills glinting in the bus drivers eyes.

*Sylvie Kalenda*

# Every path is different: navigating grief and loss

**AMANDA DUNCOMBE-LEE**

*Point in Time*

As the last two years of our pandemic experience have repeatedly demonstrated, it can be difficult to control or understand our reactions with any real confidence when we are in the thick of a disorienting experience, overwhelmed by our thoughts and senses. We need space and time to connect the threads and discover what's apparent in the patterns. For many people who have experienced a loss of someone close to them, the processing steps after the initial intense and disorienting grieving period are similarly important.

Anne Leavens, clinical supervisor at Point in Time, has a masters of social work degree and a certificate in grief and bereavement from Kings College at the University of Western Ontario. She has many years of experience working and volunteering at Hospice Peterborough and for the last seven years she has been helping with Camp Kerry, a family bereavement retreat in Ontario.

Leavens emphasizes that it's important for others to understand that there is no recipe for "how to grieve." Each loss can be experienced differently – even by the same person who has experienced different losses at different times. It's important to remember that while many people will use the support of friends and family or grieve on their own and be fine, some people experience complicating factors that require additional supports and resources.

Sometimes it is hard to know who to talk to about feelings of grief or how to support someone who is grieving. A grieving person may feel different because of a loss and feel alienated from others and the everyday aspects of living. They can be supported by finding a trusted friend with similar experiences, or counsellors who can assure them of the normality of grief and the validity of their feelings.

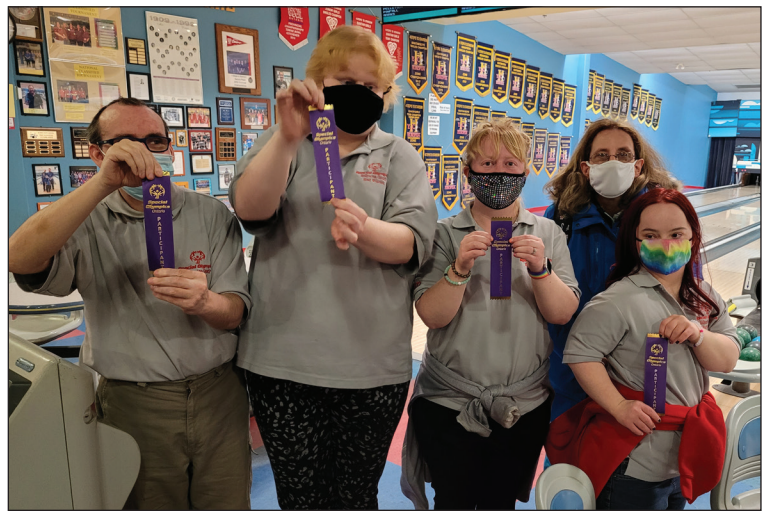
Parents supporting a grieving child may struggle to find what to say to their child or what type of questions to ask. Leavens says that in general, "children tend to be good at feeling their feelings – letting them out and then letting them go. This can feel abrupt to adults and teens who tend to suppress some of the feelings and keep them around longer. Children often get confused by the language and sayings surrounding death and can feel responsible or confused. It is helpful to use simple, clear language and check in with them about their understanding. People often refer to grief as coming in waves, and these waves may come up as children go through different stages of development and hit milestones."

Leavens notes that it is helpful for caregivers to model talking about grief and memories so that children know this is okay and that they can talk about it too. "It's important for them to know it's okay to feel all of the feelings you have about grief."

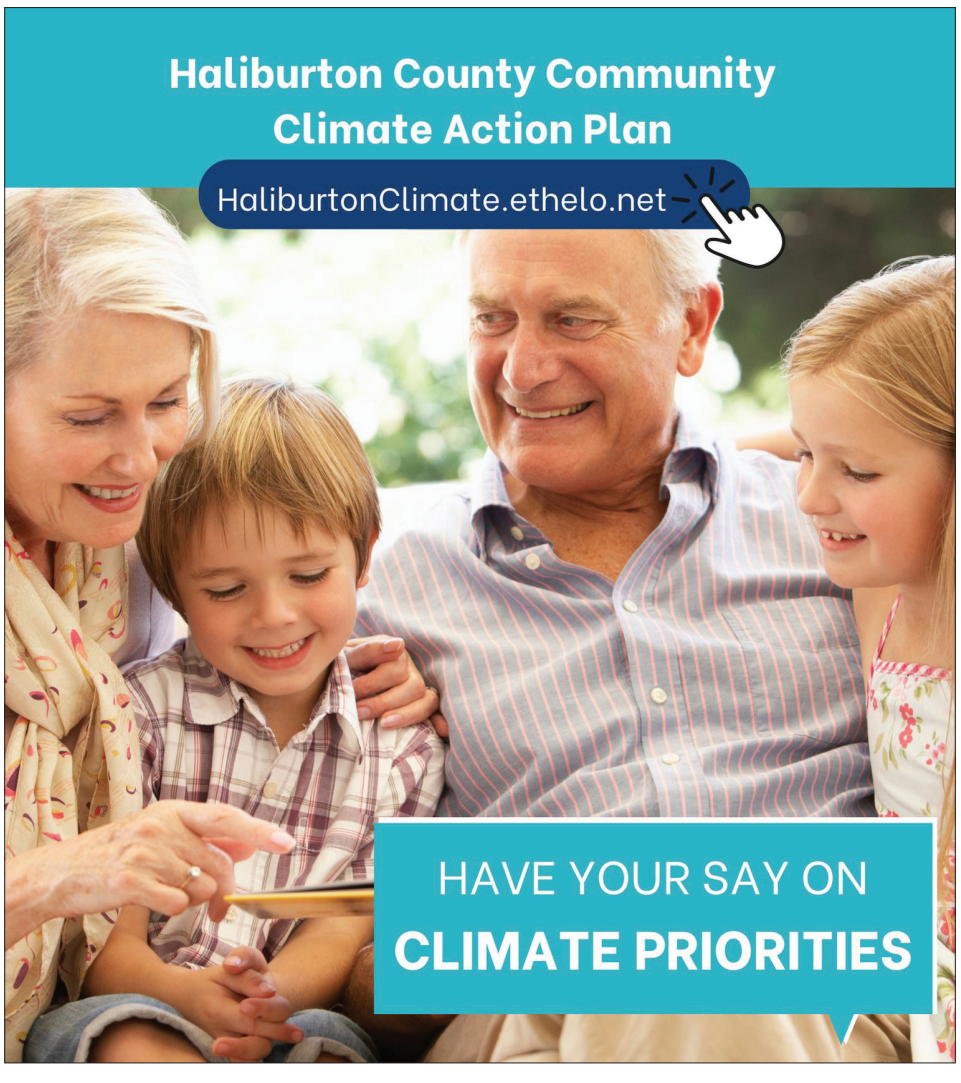
There are several good online sources on how to talk to children about grief, including at grief.ca. If you need help in supporting a child you're caring for, you can call the Point in Time office and make an appointment to 705-457-5345 or email info@pointintime.ca.

## Red Wolves get bowling

The Haliburton County Red Wolves attended their first in-person bowling tournament in two years, gathering in Barrie. "Everyone was very excited," said organizers. "There was a lot of great bowling and a lot of fun. It was good to be back. And the Red Wolves athletes did very well!" Medal winners are Julie Downer, from left, Lucas Anderson, Skylar Pratt, Emily Boccitto and Carrie Crego. /Photos submitted by Tracey Pratt



Ribbon winners are Jason Kitchener, from left, Alyssa Whitaker, Kim Buie, Andrea Austin, and Ainsley Pascoe.

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# Nature in your backyard

*County Life* welcomes photo submissions depicting life in the Highlands. Email darren@ haliburtonpress.com. Please ensure images are high resolution - 200 dpi, 10 inches at its longest edge.

A raccoon came to Tammy Nash's residence in Algonquin Highlands and she captured it walking down her driveway.

Minden resident Guenter Horst captured an eagle in flight.

A black-capped chickadee captured by Highlands' resident Jill Moulton.

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## Community Events

**Send your event listing to classifieds@haliburtonpress.com**

### Land Trust Discovery Days Wild Leeks and Spring Wildflowers

When: Saturday, May 14, 10 a.m. to noon
Where: Barnum Creek Nature Reserve
1118 Gould's Crossing Road
Pre-registration required at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca
Admission by donation
Join avid naturalists HHLT Board Member Sheila Ziman and HHLT Chair Shelley Hunt to wander trails at Barnum Creek Nature Reserve in search of beautiful spring wildflowers and wild leeks. Learn about these delicate early spring ephemerals. Learn how to sustainably harvest wild leeks. Please note that wild leeks may not be harvested at Barnum Creek Nature Reserve. This event is partially funded by TD Friends of the Environment Fund.

### 503 Street Sale Event

Saturday, May 21, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Downtown Gooderham.
Set up your table anywhere in the centre of town. Masks optional. All spaces are free. Rain Date: Sunday May 22.
Bring your own table and chairs.
For more information contact Denise Winder 705-447-2953, Marilyn Wooder 705-447-2906.

### Don Smith Memorial spring bird walk

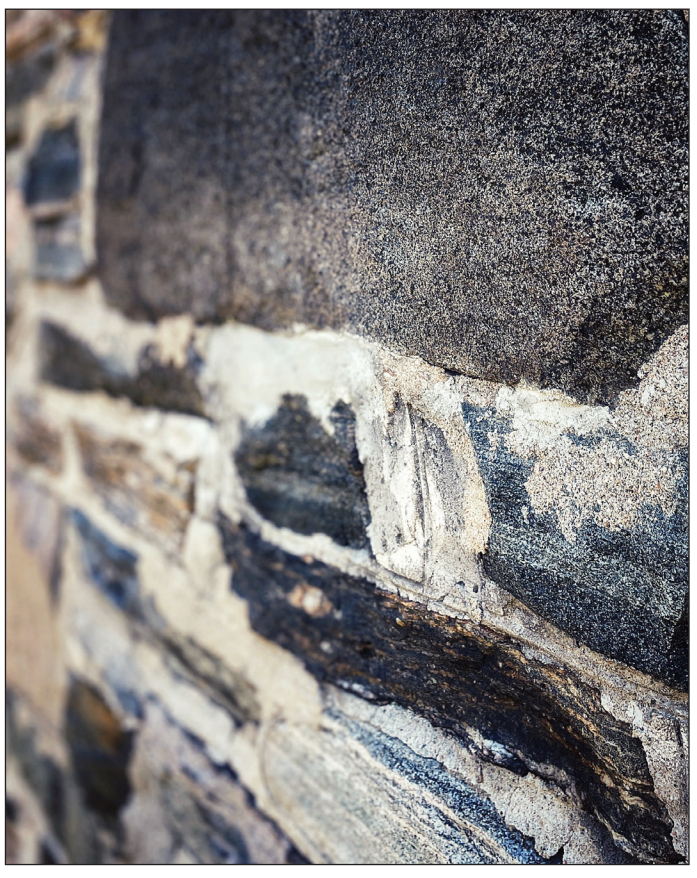
Saturday, May 21, 6:30 a.m.
(rain date Sunday May 22)
7286 Gelert Rd. Rail Trail parking area
Pre-registration required at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca. Admission by donation
Join bird expert Ed Poropat to discover which birds are returning to Haliburton County and can be seen and/or heard along the rail trail. Spring warblers are a colourful delight to find at this time.
We welcome all promotion, as we entered back into our in-person educational events. Thanks for your continued support of all things HHLT.

### Canadian Federation of University Women

oin CFUW. We are a not for profit women's advocacy organization where, irregardless of educational background, you can be involved in our community. Our local focus is on socializing with other women through our various interest groups and monthly series of stimulating speakers and events. Some of our fun interest groups include cuisine, bridge, book club, hiking, lunch 'n learn (crafts), euchre and many more. Please go to our website for more info-cfuwhh.ca or contact phewittosborne@gmail.com.

# Local Landmark Mystery

The following are images of a local landmark. Try to guess what the landmark is and look for the reveal in next week's *County Life*. Concept and images from Thom Lambert, who shares informative posts about things to see and do in the Highlands through @myhaliburtonhighlands on Instagram.



**Local landmark reveal:** The "Flower Pot People" at Pizza on Earth in Dorset. Pizza on Earth is just one of small handful of kitchens in the Haliburton Highlands that has an actual kitchen garden. Ingredients from the garden make their way straight into the restaurant and onto some of the best pizza in the area.The Flower Pot People overlook the garden and the dining patio, keeping watch over the garden and providing a whimsical landmark at this popular spot. Submitted by Thom Lambert

## Legion Events

### Branch 129 Haliburton

**Mondays:** Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m. Schofield Room

**Tuesdays:** League darts starting at 7 p.m.

Haliburton Army Cadets practice 6:30 to 9 p.m. (Sept to June)

**Wednesdays**: Bid Euchre 1 p.m. start – Main Hall

Bingo doors open at 6 p.m.

Bingo starts at 7 p.m. $500 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month

**Thursdays**: General Meeting third Thursday of the month, starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend. Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

**Fridays:** Cribbage 1 p.m. start – Schofield Room

Meat draw has five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $2 per draw. Ed Pickard, MC.

Friday fun darts from 4:30 p.m. and onwards.

**Saturdays:** 50/50 Draw 4 p.m. draw – tickets are $1 each available in the Clubroom.

*Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at 705-457-2571, email rcll129@outlook.com or visit haliburtonlegion.com. Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129 ... everyone is welcome!*

Club room hours: Mon. 3 to 6 p.m., Tues. 3 to 9 p.m., Wed/Thurs. 3 to 6 p.m. Fri. 3 to 7 p.m. and Sat. 3 to 6 p.m.

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Who stayed in Toronto, loving urban realty
Yet I host them happily when they request the north
Knowing from their spirits great relief comes pouring forth
Since instead of parallels, our roads meander 'round
Rivers, rock and forest lakes where loons and bears abound
Branches hold dark ravens and their secrets from the past
Eagles become regular, white heads a stark contrast
Trilliums fill the woodlands more intensely here than there
Peepers load a May midnight with ghostly primal flair
Yet the south has one thing more that I miss from the wild
I am jealous that this treat is witnessed by grandchild
Each gets opportunity to see and hear its song
Where I live, this bird cannot so comfortably belong
When I visit city, there's one treat I love each spring:
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*Deborah J. Reed*

Acrylic painting by Deborah J. Reed, *Cardinal Official*

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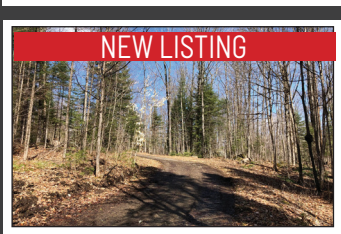

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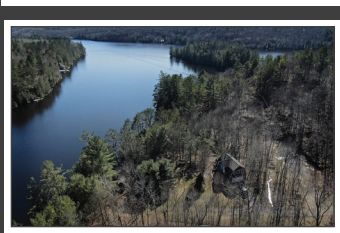

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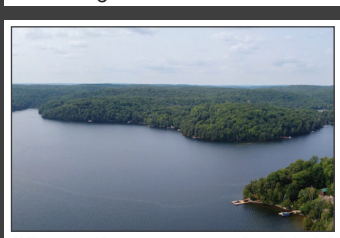

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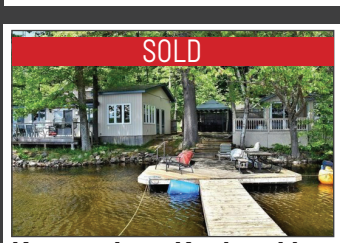

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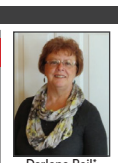

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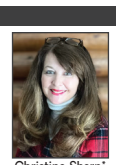

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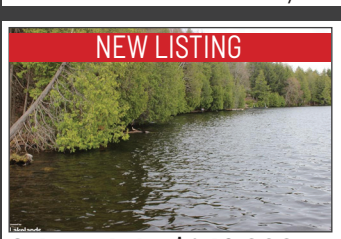

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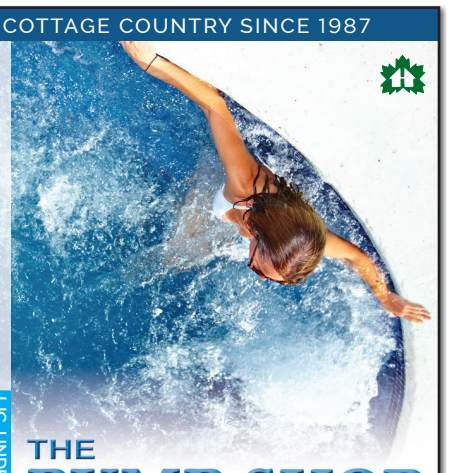

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HOCKEY

# Duchene nominated rookie of the year

**ANGELICA BLENICH**
*Staff reporter*

It's the perfect end to a wonderful beginning.

Haliburton native Matt Duchene is one of three finalists nominated for the 2009-10 Calder Memorial Trophy for the NHL's top rookie of the year.

Voted by members of the Professional Hockey Writers' Association, the nominees were announced on April 22, shortly after noon.

A centre for the Colorado Avalanche, Duchene was drafted third in the 2009 entry draft.

He's is up against Tyler Myers of Buffalo and Jimmy Howard of Detroit.

"It's a pretty big honour," said Duchene of the nomination. "Coming in this year it's something that I kind of had at the back of my head. If I had a good year that I could maybe win that trophy or at least be nominated."

The announcement was made just

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**Earth Day Yoga**

Yoga enthusiasts took part in a special Earth Day class at Blue Sky yoga studio on April 24. The class was open to all and admission was by donation only, with proceeds going towards the Food for Kids program. Participants raised a total of $225 for the food program. Photo by Angelica Blenich.

HEALTH SERVICES

# CT scanner makes doctors' wish list

**JENN WATT**
*Editor*

It is time for Haliburton to think seriously about buying a CT scan machine for the county, the medical advisory committee decided at its meeting last week and recommended the health services board undertake a feasibility study.

In recent months, between 70 and 80 per cent of patients transferred from Haliburton or Minden hospitals have been taken out of the county for scans with the specialized X-ray machine.

"That's taking nurses out of the facility, it's taking ambulances out of the county, it's bringing in nurses for overtime to cover the nurses who have left and it's delaying patient care in some cases just because of the time," said Dr Steve Ferracuti, chief of staff to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board Thursday afternoon.

"We think from a clinical perspective it would be enormously beneficial for residents of the county. We believe that there will be a good business case for this as well," he said.

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